Supporting Law Enforcement Homeless Outreach Services Teams

On June 13, 2017, the Board of Supervisors approved a total of \$6.6 million in available, unallocated Assembly Bill 109 funding to enhance Strategy E6 - Countywide Outreach System, by creating law enforcement Homeless Outreach Services Teams (HOST). This funding provided the Sheriff HOST with \$1.2 million annually for three years. Additionally, the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs' Association (LACPCA) was provided with \$1 million annually for three years to establish Service Planning Area HOST comprised of non-Sheriff/non-Los Angeles Police Department law enforcement agencies.

The LASD HOST has been highly effective in engaging individuals experiencing homelessness. If available, increased one-time funding for the LASD HOST would further enhance this effectiveness and increase the number of homeless individuals who could be served.

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Due to delays in implementation, LACPCA estimates that it will underspend in its

\$1 million FY 2017-18 allocation. This allocation of funding is from AB 109, and

utilization of these unspent funds in years two and three would serve as a positive

incentive for continued growth in homeless outreach and would bolster collaboration

between local police departments and service providers throughout Los Angeles

County. The carryover of unused AB 109 funding, could make it possible for LACPA to

dedicate full-time personnel for the HOST, which LASD has proven to be a very

effective approach.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors instruct and authorize

the Chief Executive Officer to:

1) Carry over unspent AB 109 funding from FY 2017-18 to LACPCA, to be utilized

over the remaining two years of their HOST agreement at no additional cost to

the County.

2) Report back during the Supplemental Changes phase of the FY 2018-19

Budget Process regarding one-time funding options, if any, and a

recommendation for the use of such one-time funds to be allocated to expand

the Sheriff and/or LACPCA HOST during FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20.

3) Explore potential funding options for ongoing funding beyond FY 2019-20 to

support the Sheriff and/or LACPCA HOST program.

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